

HARDING'S AID ASKED TO END SHANTUNG ROW

ISSUE HOLDING UP ALL COMMIT-
MENTS OF BIG ARMAMENT
CONFERENCE.

HUGHES AND MINISTER MEET

Japanese Invite Good Offices of U. S.
and President Urges Chinese to
Accept the Latest Compro-
mise on Railroad.

Washington.—The aid of President Harding has been enlisted by the arms delegates to bring Japan and China into agreement on Shantung.

Taking a direct hand in the Washington negotiations for the first time, the President urged the Chinese to accept the latest compromise offer and thus remove from the field of controversy a subject which has become a serious barrier to the progress of the whole conference.

Whether the move is to succeed appears to rest largely with Peking. The Japanese already have indicated informally their willingness to make the principal concessions proposed, and the President approached the Chinese only after the Japanese ambassador had informed the State Department that his government was ready to accept a tender of good offices.

The settlement plan sponsored by President Harding deals only with the return of the Tsingtao-Tsinanfu Railroad, substantially all other questions having been agreed upon.

Under the proposal Japan would abandon her proposition for a loan to China and the latter would purchase the road with treasury notes payable at option five to 15 years hence. China would receive possession within five years, but would withdraw her opposition to retention of a Japanese traffic manager and chief accountant during the period of payment.

It is an open secret that until Shantung is settled most of the commitments partially entered into here must remain indefinite.

In moving to bring the Japanese and Chinese together on Shantung, President Harding has fulfilled the role predicted for him by many of his friends when the conference began. By those close to him it was said then that by holding aloof from the ordinary course of the negotiations, he would be in a position to step in as an impartial mediator should an impasse threaten the conference program.

President Harding's appeal was made direct to Minister Sze of the Chinese delegation, who went to the White House with Secretary Hughes.

THREE PEOPLE DEAD AFTER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Idaho Family Virtually Extirpated
by Potomine Poisoning From
Home-Canned Greens.

Weiser, Idaho.—Three are dead, one may die and two are ill from ptomaine poisoning as the result of eating canned greens at a birthday dinner at the home of Charles W. Tuttle at Cambridge, 40 miles north of here on the Tin road. Tuttle's family was virtually exterminated by the poison.

The dead are: Hazel Tuttle, 25; Andrew Tuttle, 20; Bryan Tuttle, 26, World War veteran. Critically ill: Charles W. Tuttle, 60, carpenter, father of the boys and girl. Slightly ill: Besie Clare and Edward Russell, guests at the Tuttle dinner.

Cambridge physicians believe that Miss Clare and Russell ate so small a quantity of the greens that the poison did not secure a firm hold upon them. The greens were canned by Tuttle's daughter.

SIX MEN FINED \$25 FOR BEATING GIRL, 19

Bernice Phillips, of Matthews, Mo.,
Was Dragged From Her Bed
the Night of Dec. 15.

Poplar Bluff, Mo.—Six of seven men, accused by Miss Bernice Phillips, 19, of having dragged her from her bed the night of December 15, at her home in Matthews, and of taking her into the country and beating her with ropes, were fined \$25 and costs each by a jury which deliberated an hour and a half after an all-day session in the circuit court.

Miss Phillips testified the men were armed and masked, but that she was able to recognize them. After beating her the men left her in the woods outside of the town of Matthews, she said.

Heirs Cannot Drink or Smoke.
Chicago, Ill.—The estate of the late Fred H. Atwood, a lawyer, valued at \$350,000, is left to his two sons, by a will filed here, provided they abstain from the use of tobacco and alcoholic liquor. Mrs. E. H. Atwood, wife of one of the sons, recently sued him for divorce.

Riga.—More than a score of cases of sleeping sickness have developed in Moscow, according to John P. Gregg, of Portland, Ore., an attaché of the American Relief Administration.

Wireless Phones for Commuters



Chicagoans who reside in the suburbs may soon find their trains equipped with the wireless telephone so that they can talk with their homes while going to or coming from the city, and can even enjoy grand opera in the evening. The system was tried out recently, and the photograph shows a passenger using the radio phone on a car.

CONGRESS WARNED OF SOLDIER BONUS

SECRETARY MELLON SAYS COST
FIRST TWO YEARS WOULD
AMOUNT TO \$850,000,000.

PUBLIC DEBT OVER 23 BILLIONS

Treasury Head, in Letter to Fordney,
Declares That Deficit for 1922
Is Estimated at More
Than \$24,000,000.

Washington.—Treasury opposition to a soldier bonus remains unchanged, but if there is to be a bonus it must be provided through taxation, in addition to taxes imposed by existing law, Secretary Mellon declared in a letter to Chairman Fordney of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Mellon's letter was in response to a request from Fordney for an expression of the views of the Secretary and the Treasury Department on the governmental financial outlook for the coming year and a half and for suggestions as to legislation.

Submitting detailed estimates of government receipts and expenditures for the fiscal years 1922 and 1923, and the treasury plan for refunding the short-dated debt, Mellon declared no allowance has been made for any extraordinary expenditures for a soldier's bonus, which would cost, on the most conservative estimates, he said, probably not less than \$850,000,000 in the first two years.

"The figures," he said, "show that there will be no available surplus, but more probably a deficit, and that with the enormous refunding operations which the treasury has to conduct, it would be dangerous in the extreme to attempt to finance the expenditures involved in the bonus through new borrowing."

On the other hand, no indirect means of financing the bonus would make it any less an expense to be borne in the long run by the taxpayer, Mellon declared, taking up the proposal to use the foreign debt as a basis for bonus payments.

It is impossible, he maintained, in advance of funding arrangements, to estimate what may be collected on the foreign debt in the near future by way of principal or interest. The obligations, which are in the form of demand obligations, are not, he asserted, in shape to sell to the public, while to offer them with the guaranty of this government would interfere with the treasury's refunding operations and prove more expensive than the sale of direct obligations of the government.

Interest collected, he said, should also go to provide interest on Liberty bonds, so that if the proceeds of the foreign debt were applied to the bonus the government would to that extent have to provide for the principal and interest of Liberty bonds from other sources. This means, he asserted, taxes otherwise unnecessary.

North Dakota Loses Rate Suit.

Washington.—The suit of the State of North Dakota to prohibit the Chicago and Northwestern and other railroads in that state from charging increased rates within the state was dismissed by the Supreme Court.

Germany Defers Naming Envoy.

Berlin.—The German cabinet is deferring action on the appointment of an ambassador to the United States. It was said officially that no selection would be made until the economic situation of Germany was clarified.

Naval Tanker Crippled in Gale.

Norfolk, Va.—With propeller gone and tall shaft broken, the naval fuel ship Arethusa, bound from Charleston, S. C., to Fall River, Mass., was anchored off Cape Fear, N. C., in a wretchedly gale.

LEADERS VOTE TO PASS SOLDIER BONUS BILL

MELLON'S WARNING LIKELY TO
GO UNHEEDED.

Republicans in Caucus Pay Scant
Attention to Secretary of
the Treasury.

Washington.—The warning of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon that the passage of the soldiers' bonus bill will wreck the foreign refunding scheme, postpone the industrial revival of the United States and may within the next two years add another billion dollars to the tax burdens of the American people, has apparently fallen on deaf ears, so far as the Republican membership in the 69th Congress is concerned. The steering committee of the majority party in the two houses of Congress met in joint session and one of the things they decided to do was to pass the bonus bill.

The letter of the Secretary of the Treasury to Representative Fordney, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, is understood to have received scant consideration by the senators and representatives who participated in the conference, which was held in Senator Lodge's office in the Capitol. Senator Lodge himself was not present. Senator Curtis of Kansas acted as spokesman for the Senate members, while Mondell, the majority leader in the House, and Chairman Fordney were the spokesmen for the majority members in the House.

The committee on ways and means will begin immediately, it is said, the drafting of the new bonus measure, which, it was stated, may be reported to the House within three weeks. In the House speedy passage is assured, and the bill may be in the Senate by March 1, or perhaps an earlier date.

RIVER THREATENING TWO MISSOURI CITIES

Emergency Relief for Howard and
Saline Counties to Be
Requested.

Washington.—Emergency relief from the War Department is to be asked for Howard and Saline counties, Missouri, because of the impending peril due to the cutting in of the Missouri River at a point in the bend which is taking the river in behind the rip-rap work placed there years ago by the government. Valuable farms are threatened with destruction and the water supply of Slater and Glasgow are likewise endangered.

It is said that if the river cuts through on a line which it is now threatening to do, Glasgow will be left four or five miles inland. Slater, also Marshall, though the latter is some miles off the river, are concerned and the citizens of both counties have held meetings and appointed a delegation to come to Washington to obtain relief.

Dies of Injuries Received in Riot.
Marquette, Mich.—T. B. Catlin, warden at the Michigan State Prison, died here from injuries received in a prison riot a month ago.

Farmer Kidnaped and Shot.
Belfast.—Three armed men took a farmer named Kelly from his home near Newtonards and shot him in the spine. His condition is serious.

Chicago Crime List Swells.
Chicago, Ill.—Chicago's criminal record recently showed the first serious wave of 1922. One man shot and probably fatally wounded, two jewelry stores robbed, 23 holdups and more than a score of minor crimes were reported in 24 hours.

Thieves Tunnel Into Bank Vault.
Stroed, Okla.—Tunneling a hole through the vault wall in the First National Bank here, thieves looted the vault of money and jewelry and escaped with \$1,200 in cash.

AUSTRIA FACING INTERNAL CRISIS

PAN-GERMANS FORCE SCHÖBER
MINISTRY OUT AS CAB-
INET RESIGNS.

PREMIER DENIES ASKING AID

Czech Treaties, Involving Pre-War
Debts and Other Obligations,
Are Cause of Split Following
Threatened Disorders.

Vienna.—The Schöber ministry resigned from office. The fall of the cabinet has been expected for some time and this, together with the great decrease in the value of the crown, has heightened the seriousness of the whole internal situation.

The government fell on the issue of the Czech treaties, which provoked antagonism, the pan-Germans breaking the working agreement whereby the ministry had maintained its majority.

These treaties were passed in somewhat modified form with regard to the financial provisions involving pre-war debts and other obligations.

It is understood that Czechoslovakia agrees to make due allowances for Austria's financial plight and that mutual guarantees of territorial integrity are not considered as violating Austria's future right to appeal to the League of Nations on fusion with Germany, while the right of asylum in Austria for political refugees is construed as covering irredentist propagandists among the Czechian Germans.

Increase in the prices of food and fuel, both of which are scarce, has stimulated the unrest and disorders similar to those on December 1 are feared.

Police at Strategic Points.

The civil employees recently held a demonstration in connection with their demand for higher wages. They marched to the Parliament; the younger element became disorderly, and the whole city was alarmed, places of business being closed. The police were massed at strategic points, but no real disorder occurred.

The following day the government yielded to the demands, which involves increased pay to the amount of 3,500,000 crowns a month. Then the janitors went on strike for more pay and a general readjustment of their duties and emoluments.

With the announcement that the circulation had passed the 200,000,000 mark, new notes of denominations of 5,000 and 50,000 were issued in order to retire the emergency script, for which the public showed distaste.

A parliamentary committee has cleared Alfred Guertler, minister of finance, of the charge that he profited by informing banks in advance on the foreign securities notification bill.

The London report that Austria had notified the allies that unless immediate aid was forthcoming to stabilize the crown, the government would not be responsible for the consequences, is officially denied.

U. S. MARINES IN CUBA ORDERED WITHDRAWN

Department of State Makes Recom-
mendation After Receiving a
Report from Crowder.

Washington.—The detachment of 375 marines stationed at Camaguey, Cuba, was ordered withdrawn by Secretary Denby, acting on a recommendation of the State Department.

The recommendation, it was understood, was based on a report given by General Crowder at a recent conference upon his return from the island republic, where he has been for some time as an American observer, especially in reference to financial and legislative matters.

He is said to have stated that the marines were no longer needed at Camaguey and that they should be withdrawn.

Minister de Cespedes of Cuba took up the question some time ago with State Department officials, urging the withdrawal, but it was said he had made no requests recently.

Secretary Denby said the marines would be sent to Guantanamo Bay, where they would encamp. They were sent to Camaguey during the war for the purpose, it was said, of protecting the local sugar interests.

Neck "Broken" in Combining Hair.
Syracuse, N. Y.—Miss Helen Vickery, 21 years old, of Schenectady, senior nurse in the hospital of the Good Shepherd here, lies on a cot in the hospital motionless and threatened with death if she moves, as a result of a "broken neck" suffered while she was combing her hair.

Russia Sends Thanks to U. S.
Moscow.—George Tchitcherin, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs in the Soviet, in behalf of the Russian government and the people, has addressed a letter of thanks to the American people and government for their assistance to the famine sufferers in Russia.

Mrs. Hoover Heads Girl Scouts.
Savannah, Ga.—Mrs. Herbert Hoover of Washington, D. C., was elected national president of the Girl Scouts of America at the annual convention here.

Touring by Automobile to Get a Rest From Travel by Railroad Train

By STANLEY DAWSON, Veteran Circus Man.

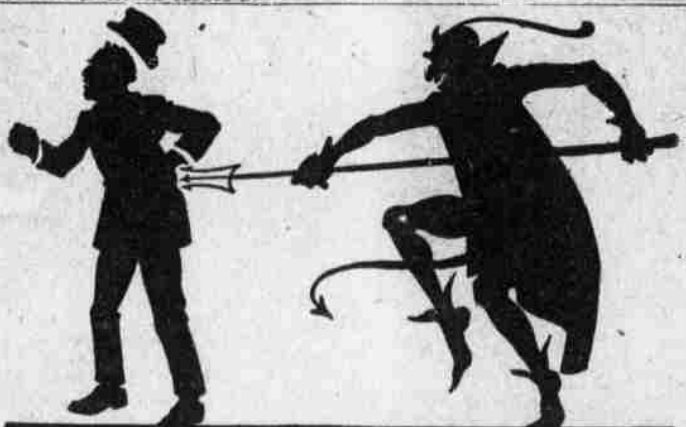
Remember the story about the boy who had been rescued from a shipwreck after being in water nearly all day? When he got home, his father, in order to show him a good time, took him to Coney Island—swimming. That just about fits what I'm doing.

After spending nine months out of the year, for twenty-five years, on a sleeping car attached to a circus, I find the best reaction is in another method of travel. I am touring in an automobile. It is delightful. A friend and I have lolled along in our car for nearly 6,000 miles, and the freedom has been wonderful; to say nothing of the air. No conductors, no porters continually brushing us off, no last calls for dinner. Columbus must have felt like this after his great discovery.

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Brig. Gen. Amos A. Fries, Chemical Warfare Section, U. S. A.—We have developed poison gas to a point now where it would cause 100 per cent casualties among unprotected people or troops. At least 10 per cent would be killed instantly. To unprotected populations and in cities behind the lines, a modern gas attack would have withering effects. It is this terror of what might happen to the great cities of the nations that will react as a prevention of future wars.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts—The surest way to prevent war is to remove the causes of war.



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